

CARE NECESSITY (QUALIFICATIONS FOR SERVICES)

I. ☐ VICTIM OF CURRENT NATURAL DISASTER

II. MEDI-CAL MEDICAL NECESSITY CRITERIA ARE MET (☐ Y / ☐ N) AS FOLLOWS:

MUST HAVE 1. ☐ qualifying mental health diagnosis (see Medi-Cal list in Outpatient Chart Manual 2-3.2)
AND AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THREE:

2. ☐ significant impairment in an important area of life functioning
3. ☐ probability of a significant deterioration in an important area of life functioning
4. ☐ (children only) probability that child will not progress developmentally as individually appropriate

AND

5. ☐ planned interventions will address impairment conditions

AND

planned interventions are expected to-- (AT LEAST ONE OF 6, 7, OR 8)

6. ☐ significantly diminish the impairment, OR

7. ☐ prevent significant deterioration in an important area of life functioning, OR

8. ☐ (children only) allow the child to progress developmentally as individually appropriate

AND

9. ☐ the condition would not be responsive to treatment by a physical healthcare-based provider

III. (EPSDT) PERSONS UNDER 21 who have unrestricted Medi-Cal also meet Medi-Cal medical necessity requirements when 1 and 9 are checked above, AND--

10. ☐ the services are generally acceptable services for the purpose of correcting or ameliorating the mental disorder (including treatment of substance problems which is necessary for treating the mental disorder)

IV. ☐ CHILD (through age 21) is a participant in AB2726 Program and has mental health services as part of an Individualized Education Plan

V. QUALIFICATIONS FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES CARE (REGULAR BENEFITS) (under age 19)

☐ Qualifying diagnosis (excluding conditions not subject to significant improvement through relatively short-term therapy, including chronic psychosis, chronic brain syndrome, intractable personality disorder, and mental retardation)

VI. QUALIFICATIONS FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES CARE (SERIOUSLY EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED)

(under age 19) ARE MET (☐ Y / ☐ N) AS FOLLOWS:

MUST HAVE ☐ qualifying diagnosis (see Medi-Cal list in Outpatient Chart Manual 2-3.2) (also excluding principal diagnoses of substance use disorder or developmental disorder), which results in behavior inappropriate to the child's expected level of development

AND MUST MEET CRITERIA FOR OPTION 1, 2, OR 3

(OPTION 1) ☐ as a result of the mental disorder, substantial impairment in at least two of the following areas:

☐ Self-care

☐ Family relationships

☐ School functioning

☐ Ability to function in the community

AND EITHER ☐ child is at risk of removal (or has already been removed) from home

OR ☐ the mental disorder and impairments have been present for more than six months or are likely to continue for more than one year if treatment is not provided

(OPTION 2) as a result of the mental disorder: ☐ psychotic features OR ☐ risk of suicide OR ☐ risk of violence

(OPTION 3) ☐ child is a participant in the AB2726 program

VII. ☐ client is a qualified CalWORKs participant

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____ PRINTED NAME _____
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CARE NECESSITY

NAME:

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CHART NO:

DOB:

PROGRAM: